

## CLAIMS

1. Holder for plant cuttings, comprising at least one carrier and a series of clamping elements which are fixed to the carrier and which are each adapted to clamp a plant cutting, wherein the clamping elements are fixed to the carrier such that plant cuttings clamped in the clamping elements extend substantially parallel to each other, and the centre of each of the clamping elements is situated substantially in the same central plane.
2. Holder as claimed in claim 1, **characterized in that** the central plane extends at a right angle to the plant cuttings.
3. Holder as claimed in claim 1 or 2, **characterized in that** the carrier extends as a strip and that the clamping elements are fixed to the carrier at regular mutual distances.
4. Holder as claimed in claim 1, 2 or 3, **characterized in that** the clamping elements are each fixed on the same side of the carrier.
5. Holder as claimed in any of the foregoing claims, **characterized in that** the mutual distance between the clamping elements on one side of the carrier is greater than or equal to the mutual distance between the centre of the clamping elements so that two carriers with their clamping elements can be placed between each other.
6. Holder as claimed in any of the foregoing claims, **characterized in that** the carrier is substantially flexible.
7. Holder as claimed in any of the claims 1-5, **characterized in that** the carrier is divided into substantially rigid pieces which are coupled in mutually flexible manner.

8. Holder as claimed in any of the claims 1-5, **characterized in that** the carrier has been made substantially from rigid material.

9. Holder as claimed in claim 8, **characterized in that** the clamping elements have been made from softer material than the carrier.

10. Holder as claimed in claim 9, **characterized in that** the clamping elements have been made in the carrier by injection moulding and that they are connected 10 with the carrier.

11. Holder as claimed in any of the foregoing claims, **characterized in that** the clamping elements each comprise at least two parts, at least one of which is connected resiliently to the carrier.

12. Holder as claimed in claim 11, **characterized in that** the parts each take substantially the form of a semi-cylindrical surface, wherein both parts are connected to the carrier such that in the non-loaded situation both parts are separated on either side 20 by a narrow gap.

13. Holder as claimed in claim 11 or 12, **characterized in that** the inner walls of both parts of the clamping elements have an upward diverging form on one side.

14. Holder as claimed in claim 11, 12 or 13, **characterized in that** the inner wall of both parts of the clamping elements together have a substantially oval section.

15. Holder as claimed in claim 12, 13 or 14, **characterized in that** each of the parts is connected to the carrier by at least two bridges.

16. Holder as claimed in claim 15, **characterized in that** each of the parts is connected to the carrier by a single bridge element, and that each 35 bridge element extends over a substantial part of the length of the parts of the clamping element.

17. Holder as claimed in claim 16,  
**characterized in that** both parts of the clamping element  
are mutually connected by a thin strip of material.

5 **13.** Holder as claimed in claim 15,  
**characterized in that** the carrier comprises elements  
which extend parallel to the axis of the clamping  
elements and which are connected by means of a narrowed  
portion to parts of the carrier extending substantially  
in lengthwise direction of the carrier.

10 **19.** Holder as claimed in claim 18,  
**characterized in that** the carrier comprises two rods  
extending in lengthwise direction to which the elements  
are fixed.

15 **20.** Holder as claimed in claim 19,  
**characterized in that** the clamping elements extend  
partially between the rods.

20 **21.** Holder as claimed in claim 11,  
**characterized in that** each of the parts of the clamping  
elements are connected to the carrier for tilting on an  
axis extending substantially at a right angle to the  
plane of the carrier.

25 **22.** Holder as claimed in claim 21,  
**characterized in that** each of the parts of the clamping  
elements are connected to the carrier by means of a  
connection subject to torsion.

30 **23.** Holder as claimed in claim 22,  
**characterized in that** the parts of the clamping elements  
each comprise a plate which comprises a clamping surface  
on one side of the connection to the carrier and are  
provided on the other side with engaging surfaces for  
moving apart the clamping surfaces in the manner of a  
lever.

35 **24.** Holder as claimed in any of the claims  
9-23, **characterized in that** the holder is manufactured by  
injection moulding or thermoforming of plastic.

**25.** Holder as claimed in any of the claims 1-6,  
**characterized in that** the carrier is manufactured from  
flat material in which at least three lips are punched at

the position of each clamping element, which lips are adapted to fixedly clamp the plant cuttings.

26. Holder as claimed in claim 25,  
characterized in ~~that~~ the holder is manufactured from  
5 paper or from plastic foil.